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From the Master Mark Galloway



Look to the East

Can you believe it—as I write this article for “Suburban 740 News”, we are already 1/3 of the way through this year. Time is flying by for me. It won’t be long before the snow of winter is gone and the smell of frying fish once again floats through the air around south third street. Yes, it’s time for the fish stand to open.

Opening day was a great success thanks to the hard work of our Social Club President Rusty Portman and Sec. Keith Gallai and all the wonderful volunteers. Thanks also goes to Bro JW Clinton Carrier for making opening day t-shirts.

It was a very sad day in February when we lost our dear friend and brother Wally Bruce. Wally was the cook for the Friday morning breakfasts, along with Brother Harold Noe, when the fish is sliced and mealed. He will be sorely missed around our lodge but breakfast must go on so PM Brother Bill Harvey and I have volunteered to take over that task.

We always need help brothers, peeling onions on wed, cupping onions and slaw on Friday mornings, slicing and mealing fish on Friday mornings and selling it on Saturday. It takes a lot of volunteer hours to pull this off once a week but without it our lodge would not be as nicely equipped as it is. If you have some free time, come out and help in any way you can. It will be appreciated.

Unfortunately the lodge lost electric during the ice storm and our “Annual Chili Cook Off” had to be cancelled but by the time you read this, it was rescheduled and enjoyed by many.

“Suburban’s Great Chili Cook off” was held on Friday evening, Feb 27th, and what a great turnout. Aunt Rose Flamm, Rainbow Mother Advisor Emeritus won 1st place, Tom Mercer won runner-up and Glen Wells won

3rd. We gave away some nice prizes this year but if you didn’t win, there’s always next year. Our next family night will be on April 30th, so mark your calendars and we’ll see you at 6:00 PM

Suburban lodge took a trip to Madison Lodge # 762 in Madison, TN to raise a fellow craft brother from Robinson lodge #266. Years ago we took turns each year communicating in this way and now the connection has been re-established. The brotherhood at Madison was outstanding to us. We had a super time and I have asked PM Brother Bill Harvey to write a separate article about our trip for this issue of the newsletter. An outside observer who saw us put on the MM degree work said that Suburban had one of the finest degree teams in central KY, (and we had fun doing it). Brothers, I am very proud of the work we are doing.

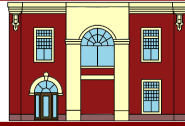
We have always had the same connection with Keystone lodge in Indianapolis and since this was their year to come here, they went with us to Madison. They have already invited us back to Keystone for next year and Madison wants to come here. Looks like some fun times are again in store for next winter. I want to thank PM Brother Mark Lawson for helping with the transportation.

Your officers are looking sharp in their new jackets and are already working hard on obtaining the Grand Masters Excellency Award for Suburban 740 for 2009. It’s not easy to obtain but we are steadily working away on it.

If you haven’t been to lodge in awhile, stop by and see the new Entered Apprentice wooden wall sculpture adorning the west wall of our lodge room where the EA enters a lodge for the first time. It is beautiful and was donated by Brother Keith Renor and Riverside Lodge #635 F&AM of Riverside, CA.

Brothers, I attended the Grand Lodge leadership Conference recently and want to pass on a few things I was re-





minded of. Our fraternity is a fellowship of friends and brothers. Friends-that's what we are. Not just some guys I know from lodge night. Do you know your lodge brothers wife`s name, something about his kids? You should! That's what friends are all about. Sure the meetings are important and we have to have them but the fellowship is the most important aspect. A Mason should be able to ask a fellow lodge brother for help with anything and not feel bad for having asked. And if your brother doesn`t help you-shame on him. That's not being very Masonic or even friendly.

Another item they touched on was, we have to change with the times. If we keep doing business as usual we will eventually die. They told this story which is worth repeating. As you know this past Oct. at Grand Lodge, the 18 year old was allowed to join Masons. Four years ago there was a boy who always wanted to be a mason like his dad. He was so thrilled about Masons he would accompany his dad to practices and just hang out. (I have to assume the lodge didn`t have a DeMolay chapter). When the age to join was lowered this year he was 18 and so qualified to petition. His dad proudly turned in his petition and when it came time for the vote, there were 2 black-balls. WHY-"Because we never let 18 year olds in before and we`re not gonna start now." Brothers, is this any way to grow a lodge?

They probably not only lost a good enthusiastic young member but his dad as well. And maybe this young man had some friends who would have made good masons?

Well brothers, you have a good spring and I'll see you at the fish fry.

Bro Mark Galloway, Master
Suburban 740 (and proud of it)



**Have
You
Met?**

**Wayne
Carby**

By Bill Harvey, P.M.

This month I am telling you about our Junior Past Master, Wayne Morris Carby. Bro.

Wayne was born at St. Anthony's Hospital here in Louisville, KY on Jan. 9, 1947. He basically grew up in Shively and Pleasure Ridge Park, KY. He attended and graduated from Western High School in 1965.

He joined the United States Air Force in 1965 and served till 1969. He married Miss Nancy Whobrey on Nov. 15, 1969. Nancy is a nurse at Louisville's Audubon Hospital.

Nancy and Wayne are the proud parents of a son Eric and daughter Amy. Amy has given them 3 grand children: Zachory, Jared and Haley

Wayne worked for Matlack, Inc., as a tank truck driver for 30 years, having retired in 2002.. Did I say retired? Bro. Wayne gets to baby-sit on occasion and loves every moment of it.

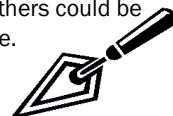
Past Master Carby joined Plumb Lodge in 1979 and demitted to Suburban Lodge in 1980. After getting his Master Mason proficiency he decided to get in line heading to the East. Brother Wayne was installed as Master of Suburban Lodge by Grand Master Keith Drier and served as our Master in 2008.

His hobbies are gunsmithing, old cars, hunting and fishing. He has a wonderful knack of being able to finish wood and metal to make them items of beauty.

I asked Wayne why he joined the Masonic Lodge and he said that a close friend once told him that he should consider joining the Masonic fraternity. Also his step-father was a Mason and this also helped guide him toward being a Mason.

When asked if he had any words for his Masonic brothers, Bro. Wayne wanted to thank the Lodge for electing him to serve as a line officer and to be able to serve as Master. It was truly a privilege and an eye-opener. He was glad that everyone had confidence in him during some difficult times. His relationship with his brothers through the years has been very pleasing to him.

Let me say "Thank You Wayne" for all the many hours you have served our Lodge and our Fish Stand, your service on the Hall Association and all the many other jobs you have fulfilled. I honestly feel that if I needed Wayne to help me at the dead hour of midnight, he would be there if I called. I hope that many of my brothers could be counted on to do the same.



**Coming
Events**

April 2009

- 02 Lodge Meeting.....7:30PM
- 04 FISH FRY.....10AM To 8PM
- 06 De Molay Meeting..... 7:00PM
- 07 Social Club Meeting.....7:00PM
- 09 Lodge meeting.....7:30PM
- 11 FISH FRY.....10AM To 8PM
- 13 Rainbow Meeting.....7:30PM
- 14 Southern Star OES.....7:30PM
- 16 Lodge Meeting.....7:30PM
- 17 Southern Star Social Club.....6:30PM
- 18 FISH FRY.....10AM To 8PM
- 20 DeMolay Meeting.....7:00PM
- 21 York Rite Meeting.....7:30PM
- 23 Lodge Meeting.....7:30PM
- 25 FISH FRY.....10AM To 8PM
- 27 Rainbow Meeting.....7:30PM
- 30 Lodge Family Night
Bring a Dessert.....6:00PM

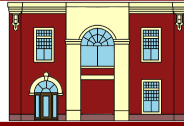
May 2009

- 01 Park Cars Oaks Day
- 02 Fish Stand Closed Derby Day Park Cars
- 04 DeMolay Meeting.....7:00PM
- 05 Hall Association Meeting.....6:30PM
- 07 Lodge Meeting.....7:30PM
- 09 FISH.....10AM To 8PM
- 11 Rainbow Meeting7:30PM
- 12 Social Club Meeting.....7:00PM
- 14 Lodge Meeting.....7:30PM
- 16 FISH FRY.....10AM To 8PM
- 18 DeMolay Meeting.....7:00PM
- 19 OES Southern Star7:30PM
- 21 Lodge Meeting.....7:30PM
- 22 Southern Star Social Club.....6:30PM
- 23 FISH FRY.....10AM To 8PM
- 25 Rainbow Meeting.....7:30PM
- 26 York Rite Meeting.....7:30PM
- 28 Lodge Meeting.....7:30PM
- 30 FISH FRY.....10AM To 8PM

June 2009

- 01 DeMolay Meeting.....7:00PM
- 02 Hall Association Meeting.....6:30PM
- 04 Lodge Meeting.....7:30PM





Suburban Lodge Stats

Entered Apprentices:

None

Conferred by N/A

Fellow Crafts:

Samuel Scott Osborne 3/19/09

Conferred by Clinton Carrier

Master Masons:

None

Conferred by N/A

Plural Members: None

Reinstatements: None

Demits: Bob Parkerson Jr
1/15/2009

Petition for Degrees:

None

Petition for Affiliation By Transfer:

Donald Hoose from Texas
Dale Brown from Louisville

Elected to Membership :

Donald Hoose from Texas
Dale Brown from Louisville

Sick and Prayer List

- Claude Boswell:** Recovering
- Jonathan Treadway:** Recovery from the Flu
- Wally Bruce:** Son Passed away
- Bud Routon:** Recovering
- Rusty Portman:** Mother ill
- Greg Coffey:** Recovery from Surgery
- John Morris:** Recovering from accident
- Donnie Brown:** Recovery from Surgery
- Jim and Wayne Jordan:** Mother Ill

In Memory of...

WALLACE W. BRUCE

Brother Wally was born 20th Day of May 1928 in Horse Cave Kentucky.

He received his Entered Apprentice Degree on the 18th Day of August 1963. He was passed to the degree of Fellow Craft on the 19th Day of March 1963, and raised to the Sublime degree of Master Mason on the 21st Day of May 1963, all in Bear Wallow Lodge #231 F&AM in Horse Cave, KY.

He affiliated to Suburban Lodge #740 F&AM in Louisville, KY. On the 20th Day of August 2005.

Brother Wally was a faithful member for 46 years. Having Completed the designs upon his trestle board, Brother Wally laid down the working tools of his busy life and entered that celestial lodge above on the 19th Day of January 2009.

He is sadly missed by his wife and his children, other family members and many friends.

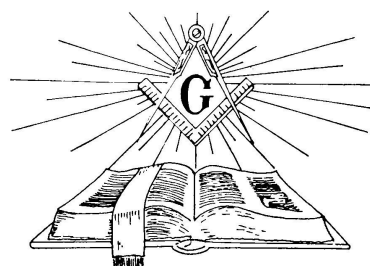
EDWARD WALTER HEIL

Brother Walter was born in Louisville 77 years Ago on September 8, 1931.

He received his Entered Apprentice Degree on the 8th Day of July 1959, he was passed to the degree of Fellow Craft on the 12th Day of August 1959, and raised to the Sublime degree of Master Mason on the 23rd day of September 1959, all in Preston Lodge #281 F&AM. He then Affiliated with George Washington # 904 in 1974 and then he Affiliated to Suburban Lodge #740 F&AM 1992.

He was a faithful member for 50 years. Having completed the designs upon his trestle board, Brother Walter laid down the working tools of his busy life and entered that celestial lodge above on the 15th Day of March 2009.

No Masonic Services Conducted.



Suburban 740 Members Head To Vincennes To Help Celebrate The Founding Of Masonry In Indiana

Brothers, it's always fun to visit other Lodges and see masonry flourish in other communities as well as our own. Your Master and Past Master bro. Bill Harvey were privileged to attend the Rededication of Vincennes Lodge #1, marking the 200th anniversary of Masons in Indiana.

In 1809, members of Abraham # 8 in Louisville, KY constituted Vincennes #15 in the Indiana Territories. (Indiana was not yet a state.) When the Grand Lodge of IN was formed, it was renamed Vincennes #1. This Lodge is the oldest continuously chartered Lodge in Indiana.

On March 13 and 14, 2009, Vincennes #1 held a two day ceremony to Reconstitute and Rededicate its Lodge. The Lodge hall is a beautiful 4 story structure whose architecture still reflects those early days. I was impressed by the 3 pool tables in the billiard room. The 4th floor of the building, called the catacombs, was constructed for candidates in 1917 and has never been changed or seen by anyone else until this weekend.

Vincennes, Indiana is on the border and is separated from Illinois by the Wabash River. Under the original charter, Vincennes # 15 was under the Grand Lodge of KY, so on March 13th, 2009, the Lodge was reconstituted for 24 hours by Most Worshipful Grand Master of KY, Herman Forrester. On Mar 14th, it was then turned over to Most Worshipful Grand Master Jeffrey Zaring of Indiana for rededication.

If you have never witnessed the rededication of a Lodge, brothers, it is a beautiful and meaningful ceremony.

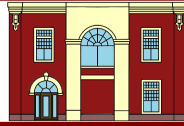
Vincennes Lodge was the home of Master Mason Richard Bernard Skelton, better known to us as "Red Skelton". He was raised in 1939 and his original petition was on display along with other documents of the Lodge. They also have original artwork done by Red Skelton.

Saturday started with a parade of all the Grand Line of both Indiana and Kentucky, followed by Masons walking in single file from the court house to the Lodge.

In the evening, a formal dinner was held with the keynote speaker being



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from the Scottish Rite in Washington, D.C. This was followed by a guided tour of Grouseland, the home of our 9th President of the U.S., William Henry Harrison, which is close by.

These memories made will not soon be forgotten.

Mark Galloway
Master
Suburban 740 F&AM

For photo, see page #7

Lorraine Assembly

Order of the Rainbow for Girls



Lorraine Assembly has been very busy during the past few months as Michaela Reams started her third term as Worthy Advisor. During the first meeting of the new term, we initiated Kaylan Gilkey to our order. In February, we visited Valley Assembly twice, once to assist them in initiating three new members and once for their Installation of Officers. We also attended Cherokee DeMolay Chapter's Valentine's Day Dance and made a presentation about Rainbow for the members of Shively Lodge. We had a great time at the chili cook-off for the lodge's family night. All the girls kept telling Uncle Greg Bartlett that he should have won, but maybe next year! We ended the month going to Ice Land for Skating with the Pledges.

Speaking of Pledges, our Pledge Class is growing! Paula Wells is now our Pledge Mother and she has asked Tonya Evans to be her Assistant Pledge Mother. I would like to thank Amanda Elbert for being our Pledge Mother during the past year and send Paula and Tonya good wishes!

In March, we traveled to Elizabethtown for Grand Retreat. The Grand Officers, Grand Representatives and members of the Jr. Grand Executive Committee got to visit with other girls from throughout the state and the Grand Officers practiced their parts for initiation at Grand Assembly. We currently have three Grand Officers, three Grand Representatives and two members of the Jr. Grand. We rushed back at the end of the retreat for the first fish fry and our first bake sale of the year. I know our girls had

a long weekend! The next week we had a Slumber Party where we had five Pledge Girls and five Rainbow Girls in attendance. They had a wonderful time bonding, playing games and watching movies.

The girls are already preparing for Grand Assembly where they will participate in the Dance Team, Scrapbook, Ritual and Rainbow Week competitions. The Grand Officers will also perform the ritual work as we initiate new members into our order and the Grand Representatives will present a board telling about Rainbow in their state and design costumes to show off what they learned about their state. Grand Assembly is June 19-21st at the Scottish Rite Temple. Please contact me if you are interested in registering.

Michaela still has many more activities planned for her term including visiting the zoo for our Official Visit with the Grand Worthy Advisor, working the Fish Fry, holding bake sales, representing Rainbow at the Shrine Arch Presentation, visiting other assemblies, and much more!

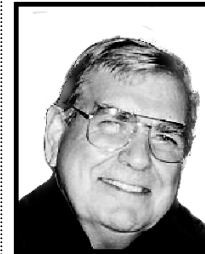
On **April 13th at 7:00 pm** we will have **initiation** for Faith Klingsmith (pending election). I hope that many of you can come to see our assembly perform the beautiful work of our order.

On **April 27 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm** we will host an **Open House for perspective members** (in lieu of our regular meeting). We would like to invite all girls that are Rainbow age (11-20) and Pledge age (6-10) and their parents to come and visit with our assembly to find out more about Rainbow.

As I write this, our Sponsoring Bodies Friendship Night and Fundraiser Luncheon are in the coming week and I thank all of you that attended! Your support of our assembly is what allows our girls to continue. Rainbow builds leadership skills, character and long-life friendships and I believe those are things that we should all support in the young women in our community.

We **meet every 2nd and 4th Monday at 7:30 PM** and we invite all of you to attend. If you know any young women between the ages of 11 and 20, why don't you introduce them to Rainbow? We are also looking for girls between the ages of 6 and 10 to join our Pledge Class. I can be reached at (502) 409-4337 or mrbartlett@insightbb.com.

In Rainbow Love and Service,
Rebecca Bartlett
Mother Advisor



Rowland's Ramblings

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By Joe Roland, P.M.

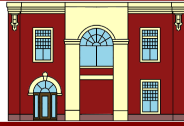
It's amazing how much things have changed since I was a boy. The other day someone asked me what my favorite fast food was when I was growing up, and where did I eat. Well, duh! We didn't have fast food when I was a kid. We had slow food – and I ate at a place called 'home.' My 'stay-at-home' mother cooked and baked the meals for our big family on a big coal-burning stove in the kitchen and put it on a huge table in the dining room. And horror of horrors – the *whole family* ate together – *every* meal. If we didn't like the food she put on the table we had to sit there until we *did* like it. We were never allowed to say we weren't hungry and skip a meal. The evening meal was a time for the family to discuss things that had happened that day.

We always had a healthy, well balanced meal too. It came from fresh vegetables from our large garden, from several fruit trees, and from our chickens, pigs, and a cow. In the winter time a cellar, well stocked with quart and half-gallon jars of canned vegetables from the garden, canned fruit, jams, jellies, preserves and berries, canned chicken, sausage and tenderloin from the hogs, and just about anything that could be preserved filled our table with a savory meal that just can't be duplicated today from Kroger's, Piggly-Wiggly or any other grocery store that sells all that 'processed' food. We almost always had big biscuits and corn bread, both made from scratch. We had cakes, and pies made from scratch too. There was no 'convenience foods' in those days.

I thought you could only get Chinese food in China. Pizzas were not delivered to our house, because we didn't have a telephone, and we didn't know what a pizza was anyway. When I tasted my first pizza (it was called a pizza pie then) it burned the roof of my mouth, and when I tried to spit it out the cheese slid off and burned my chin too.

We bought staples and the few things we couldn't grow at a local 'Mom and Pop' grocery store, and paid the owner





once a month. The owner wrote down how much we owed with a pencil and pad and put it on a shelf under the counter. There were no credit cards, so we didn't have to pay thirty percent interest. I always tried to go with my parents when they went to pay the bill every month because the store owner always gave us a small sack of penny candy with maybe

a few candy cigarettes, a few black licorice whips that looked and tasted like tar, and a package of Black Jack chewing gum. I just loved that man.

We spent our leisure time differently too. We weren't driven to a special field to practice soccer, because we had never heard of soccer. There was no 'Little League' and no uniforms. We played baseball with a broken bat, a ball wrapped in 'tar tape' and used rocks for bases. We had a couple of homemade card games, and laughed uproariously at the player who was left holding the "Old Maid" at the end of the game. We popped popcorn in the fireplace and played checkers and guessing games. We listened to 78 rpm records that gave us about three minutes of scratchy music. We played marbles, spinned tops, pitched horseshoes, made and flew homemade kites, caught June bugs, and played Cowboys and Indians. Man, it just didn't get any better than that.

Kids today have to have very expensive Game Boys, X-Boxes, and state of the art Lap Top Computers. The ever present I-Pod and MP3 player growing out of their ears make it impossible to hold a conversation with them, but I guess that's O.K. because the 150 decibel noise that they call music that makes their ears vibrate will soon make them deaf anyway.

Most kids already have calluses on their thumbs from sending text messages on their state-of-the-art cell phones to about a hundred of their friends every thirty seconds. I think they sent text messages instead of calling them on their cell phones because the I-Pods and MP3 players are fastened to their ears with Super Glue.

Now I know things have to change. I also know that many of the changes are good, and make our lives better and easier. But I also believe that some of them are not the best for us. I try to keep an open mind about things, but not open enough to let my brains fall out.

If you are one of the old-timers and try to tell your children and grandchildren stories about how you grew up with practically nothing, but enjoyed life more, don't blame me if they bust a gut laughing at you.

Growing up just isn't what it used to be, is it? My memories of growing up when life was so much simple and uncomplicated are probably keeping me sane today. I may be older than dirt, but the older I get the better I used to be!

Till next time - joerowland@insightbb.com

Our Tennessee Trip

by Bill Harvey, Past Master

On Saturday, Feb. 7, 2009, approximately 25 brothers left Suburban Lodge at 10:00 am and headed south to Madison Lodge in North Nashville, Tenn. After some fresh donuts and coffee, all of our paraphernalia was loaded into Bro. Bill Harvey's Expedition. We picked up two extended vans at the airport and returned to pick up everyone who was going with us.

After about 2-½ hours, we arrived at Madison Lodge and were greeted by the Brothers present and then sat down to a very nice lunch they had prepared for us. After Madison Lodge opened, Suburban then put on the first section. The candidate who received the degrees was Bro. Eugene Gibson, a member of Robinson Lodge in Louisville.

All Brothers present then entered the dining room and then were served a catered meal of pulled pork sandwiches and all the extras that go with it. The dinner was served by several ladies of their Order of Eastern Star group. It was a great meal and everyone seemed to really enjoy the fellowship.

When the second section was presented, I could tell that most of the Tennessee members were amazed and really enjoyed seeing the work that Suburban put on. Of course, the nearly 3 hour trip gave our brothers plenty of time to hone their degree work with each other.

If I counted correctly, there were 23 lodges represented and approximately 120 in attendance. We were honored to have Tennessee's Deputy Grand Master, Rev. Dickie W. Johnson, with us. Besides Bro Dickie, we were honored to have with us Bro. Dar-

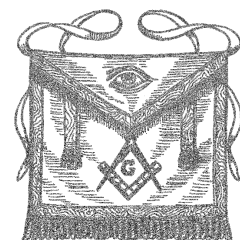
rell R. Vires, Grand Marshal, Grand Lodge of KY and Bro. Joe F. Mattingly, Committee on Credentials, Grand Lodge of KY. I know that Bro Gibson will long remember this trip as he seemed tickled to death to have so many of his new brothers in attendance. We would like to say Thank You to Bro. Joe Mattingly and his crew from Robinson Lodge for their presence and help in bringing this all together. We were honored to have the Master and another Brother join us from Keystone Lodge in Indianapolis. This really was a labor of love for these 2 brothers to drive about 700 miles just to join us in the endeavor. Also, thanks to members from Fairdale and Fern Creek Lodges for joining us.

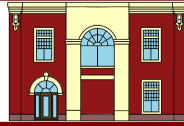
We were glad that Past Master Earl Whitworth was able to go with us. He was raised in Madison Lodge several years ago on one of our trips.

I want to thank Master Mark Galloway for all his hard work in pulling this together and making it such an enjoyable time for all. Your Master did an excellent job in putting on the first section. He had many hurdles thrown at him, but was able to make all the connection work so everyone could enjoy such a good trip. I have heard nothing but good mentioned about this trip and I hope this will be the start of renewing our yearly fellowship with Madison Lodge. Several of the Brothers are already looking forward to our bi-yearly trip to Keystone in Indianapolis.

Brothers, many think that Masonry is about the 30 to 45 minute meeting we have each Thursday. Yes this is an important and necessary part of our Masonic life, but the real meat of Masonry is our fellowship with each other. Whether it is our fellowship meal before Lodge or our traveling to another state, the meeting of Masons, on the level, now that's what makes Masons keep coming back to Lodge.

Finally, I want to say a grateful thank you to the Great Architect of the Universe for giving us traveling mercies on such a long trip. I pray He will keep us just as safe when we travel to Indianapolis.





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From the Editor

By Jack Riddle

Greetings! We have a nice full newsletter this time, so I hope you enjoy it. I wanted to make you aware of a couple of new things.

First, I have created an announcement email list for the lodge and happenings on 'our corner.' This list will eventually be used by the Master, the President of the Social Club, and others who may have periodic announcements. If you have email and want to stay in the know, I recommend you click over to our website at www.suburban740.org and look for the "Subscribe to Suburban Lodge #740 Announcements" box prominently displayed on the main page (after you "knock on the door").

Second, in an effort to save money, time, trees, and sanity, I am encouraging anyone who uses the Internet regularly to sign up to receive our newsletter electronically. To do so, visit our website and sign up to the announcement list as I just explained— I will send a new notification when the latest newsletter is available for viewing online. To ensure you are receiving the newsletter exclusively online, please send me an email to tell me to remove your name from the

newsletter mailing list. Otherwise, you will continue to receive paper mailings.

Here is some stats on the newsletter printing and mailing:

- 718: Current number of subscribers to the paper newsletter. This is the number of address labels printed and individually applied by hand to each newsletter.
- 10: Average number of pages in a newsletter.
- 7250: Average number of total pages printed for newsletter. (Extras are printed because pages sometimes jam in the folding machine).
- 7.25: Average number of reams of paper used to print the newsletter.
- 15-20: Minutes it takes, on average, to print each page.
- 8-15: Number of gracious volunteers that help to print, fold, assemble, staple and apply address labels.

The Silent Summons

A member of a certain Lodge, who previously attended meetings regularly, stopped going. After a few months, the Worshipful Master decided to visit him. It was a chilly evening, and the Worshipful Master found his brother at home alone, sitting before a blazing fire. Guessing the reason for the Worshipful Master's visit, the brother welcomed him, led him to a comfortable chair near the fireplace and waited.

The Worshipful Master made him self comfortable, but said nothing. In the grave silence, he contemplated the dance of the flames around the burning logs. After several minutes, the Worshipful Master took the fire tongs, carefully picked up a brightly burning ember and placed it to one side of the hearth, all alone. Then he sat back in his chair, still silent.

His host watched all of this in quiet contemplation. As the one, lone ember's flame flickered and diminished, there was a momentary glow, and its fire was no more. Soon, it was cold and dead. Not a word had been spoken since the initial greeting. The Worshipful Master glanced at his watch

and chose this time to leave. He slowly stood up, picked up the cold, dead ember, and placed it back in the middle of the fire. Immediately, it began to glow once more, with all the light and warmth of the burning coals around it.

As the Worshipful Master reached the door to leave, his host said, with a tear running down his cheek, "Thank you so much for your fiery summons, my brother. I'll be back in our Lodge next meeting."

— Author Unknown

Being an "Internet Mason" has afforded me the opportunity to learn about Freemasonry from all over the world. I am often surprised by what I learn about lodges overseas and yet I marvel at our similarities.

A brother from Italy recently posted an explanation of what Masonry was all about on a message board to someone who was inquiring and was tired of the "Its an allegory wrapped in symbolism" response. Here is his response, slightly paraphrased:

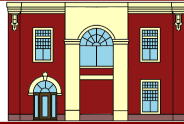
It's like all the people that you know are sitting in their cars, and are driving them around. Their cars are all different. There are big, luxury cars. And small, cheap cars. There are red, white, blue, and black cars. There are old and new cars.

Some people look into the other cars from their own and compare. "You are rich, you are poor. You are higher than me, and you are lower than me" based on what they drive. In the world of Freemasons, everyone looked into the eyes of others, went together to a parking lot, and decided to park their cars and come out of them—so that there are no more cars and no more differences between the persons who were inside them.

These men call themselves Brothers, because they believe that they share a similar way of relating to the world and its material things: that is, considering them without much worth. Just parked cars left outside the doors of the Temple. Things.

Credited to: Claudio Raiteri, Past Master of the R.: L.: "Angelo Brofferio", #924 at the Orient of Torino, Italy





The Suburban Social Club Fish Fry kicked off with a bang. Brother Clinton Carrier (left) and Rusty Portman had special shirts printed and gave them to the brothers working on the first day to commemorate the event. Shirt modeled by Bro. Pat Boone (above).



Master Mark Galloway and newest Fellowcraft Scott Osborn



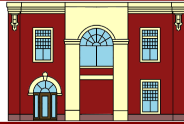
Middle left: Many friends and brothers busy in the kitchen on the first fish fry of 2009.

Middle right: A dining room full of hungry patrons enjoying their fish, and grateful that the fish fry is once again open.



Bottom right: From the Master's visit to Vincennes, IN (page 3) for the Rededication of Vincennes Lodge # 1. (from left to right) Grand Master Jeffrey Zaring of Indiana, Suburban Lodge #740 Master Mark Galloway, Grand Master Herman Forrester of Kentucky.





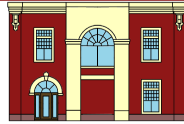
Above and below: Pictures from our visit with Madison Lodge #762 in Madison Tennessee on February 7th.



Acting Master Clinton Carrier and newest Fellowcraft Scott Osborn



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Petitions For Reinstatement

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2008 Dues

Dues for 2008 were due prior to August 1, 2008; therefore, **if you have not already done so, PLEASE SEND IN YOUR 2008 DUES.** Dues for 2007 and 2008 were \$23.90 per year. We have 20 members who owe dues for 2008 (Not sure? You should have a yellow 2008 dues card) and seven members who are 2 years (2007 and 2008) behind in their dues. If I have not received their dues by July 31, 2009, these seven members will be suspended. **If you are having problems paying your dues, or would like to receive a Demit rather than become suspended, please contact me at (502) 267-6616. I can explain your options to you.** We value you as a member so please pay your dues to avoid suspension.

2009 Dues Notice

Dues for 2009 are due prior to August 1, 2009. By vote of the Chapter on December 16, 2008, **2009 Dues are \$24.00.** Please forward your dues to me before August 1. Southern Star exempts members from dues who are at least 90 years old or who are living in a Nursing Home. If you believe that you qualify for this exemption, please let me know.

If you have not attended Chapter recently, come see us on the Third Tuesday each month. We would love to see you. The meetings begin at 7:30.

Debbie Ballinger, Secretary
Southern Star #154
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District 1 - Schedule Of Events

March 21-Harmony Chapter Chili Supper (Chili, Hot Dog, Dessert & Drink), Cake Walk & Bazaar -Time Noon - 4:00; Cost - Adults-\$4.00 - Children-\$2.00

April 4 - Annual Eastern Star Home Board Meeting

April 21 - Southern Star Past Matron & Past Patron Night/Chapter Birthday

April 26 - Southern Star Bunco - Time - 2:00 - 4:00; Cost-\$5.00 - Prizes Awarded - Contact Gail Perry (239-2109) for tickets

May 9 - Queen Esther Courtesy Visit & Party for Melva Dukes, Grand Marshal

May 11 - Middletown Courtesy Visit by WGM

May 12 - Crescent Hill Inspection of Officers

May 14 - Victory Courtesy Visit by WGM

June 16 - Southern Star Inspection of Officers

Southern Star - In Memoriam

Brother Robert W. ("Bob") Vest Jr. - December 7, 2008

Brother Bob was initiated into Melita Chapter on November 18, 1970. Brother Bob became a dual member of Southern Star in 1995. He later decided to move his primary membership to Southern Star. His demit from Melita Chapter was granted and Brother Bob affiliated with Southern Star on February 18, 2002. Brother Bob served Southern Star as Worthy Patron in 1997-1998, 2000-2001, and 2003-2004. In 2004, Brother Bob was elected as the Treasurer where he served until his death. Brother Bob also served Grand Chapter twice as Deputy Grand Patron and several years as the Grand Chapter Committee Member on Sound. Brother Bob was a dual member at Crescent Hill Chapter and he protemed at many Chapters. He was a very faithful member who is truly missed.

Sister Monteene Kemp - January 6, 2009

Sister Monteene was initiated into Southern Star on March 19, 1957, where she remained a faithful member for over 50 years. She died on January 6, which was her 91st birthday. She will be greatly missed.

Sister Carrie Bennett - January 22, 2009

Sister Carrie was initiated into Southern Star on July 25, 1978, where she was a dedicated member for more than 30 years. She died at the Eastern Star Home on January 22 after a brief illness. Our members, and her many friends at the Home miss her sweet smile.

Sister Ethel Cissell - January 30, 2009

Sister Ethel was initiated into Southern Star on January 21, 1947 where she was a devoted member for over 60 years. She died on January 30 at the Masonic Home and will be deeply missed by her many Sisters and Brothers.

Relay For Life

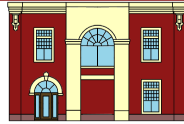


Do you know someone who has fought their own personal battle with cancer? I would be willing to wager that most, if not every, person who reads this article is able to answer this question with a "Yes".

Donations of any amount are welcome and help support the American Cancer Society's programs of research, education, advocacy and patient support. One in every three people will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime. Southern Star and Lorraine Assembly are joining together to help eliminate cancer by participating in the annual South Jefferson County Relay for Life. The event will be held on June 12 and 13 at Moore High School. I hope you will support us by attending the Relay and/or by making a donation.

If you do not know who to give your donation to, please mail it (checks made payable to the American Cancer Society) to me at 4305 Gaudet Road; Louisville KY 40299. All donations sent to me will





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be credited to the team, not to an individual; therefore, if you wish to designate your donation to a particular team member, please send that information with your check.

If you are a cancer survivor, please let me know. Part of the evening is designated for survivors, as well as a special dinner on a date prior to the event.

Once again, contributions will be accepted for luminaria in Honor or Memory of a loved one. While these contributions do not count toward our team goal, they are an important part of the fund raising effort. Luminaria are \$5.00 each this year. If you are making a contribution for a luminaria, please designate it as such and include the name of the individual and whether the luminaria is in Honor or Memory of them.

Thank you for your consideration of this worthwhile project. I will give you an update in the next newsletter and a final report in the newsletter following the event.

Fraternally,

Debbie Ballinger

Social Club

Greetings from the Southern Star Social club. Here it is March and the weather is starting to break away from the snow and ice (hopefully). We hope that you have survived all the crazy weather we have had lately.

Just a note of invitation to come to our Social Club for dinner each Friday of the month following Chapter night (third Tuesday of each month). We always have potluck and tons of fellowship and friendship. Even though this article is late for the March Newsletter, please try to join us in April for supper. Everyone is welcome: family, friends, neighbors. Being a member of Social Club does not mean you have to belong to Eastern Star.

Well, here's wishing you and yours a wonderful Spring time and may God Bless each and every one of you.

Fraternally,

Karen Harvey, President

Southern Star Social Club

Worthy Matron

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Time has flown by so quickly and it is hard to believe that half of my term is over. I have truly enjoyed serving as Worthy Matron of Southern Star thus far. We have lost some very special members of our Chapter this year, which has been the most difficult part of my term. Each of these members has a very special place in my heart as well as other members of the Chapter and Lodge.

I would like to invite everyone to our next meeting, which will be Past Matrons and Past Patrons night as well as the Chapter's 99th Anniversary. We will be having a potluck prior to the meeting at 6:30pm and the meeting will start promptly at 7:30pm. The Chapter will be furnishing the meat as well as the cake so all we need is some delicious dishes.

We will be teaming up with the Rainbow girls to make cards for the veterans at the VA hospital and will deliver them around the 4th of July holiday. We will need help making these cards so if you would like to help, please come to our April meeting or to Social Club the Friday following the meeting to learn how to help.

I would like to encourage everyone to try to make it to a meeting this year. We would love to have you anytime! Mark your calendars for our Inspection which is scheduled for June 16th.

Star of love,

Jessica Olges
Worthy Matron

Conductress

Greetings to all,

We will have our first fund raiser coming up Sunday April 26, 2009. Southern Star will host a Bunco Party from 2-4 pm on Sunday April 26, 2009 at Suburban Masonic Lodge Hall. There will be refreshments and prizes awarded. Tickets are on sale for \$5.00 and may be purchased in advance or at the door. I know you will have a lot of fun so please tell your family, friends,

neighbors and co-workers and come on out and help support your chapter and fellowship with your sisters and brothers. We will have a bake sale at the Fish Fry coming up in the near future. Also coming up, we will be selling shares on a baking goods basket. More to come. We would love to see you at chapter which meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month. We do miss you when you are not there. Your presence and support will help strengthen our beautiful order. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Gail Perry

Conductress

Beautiful altar, shrine of prayer,
Tenderest thoughts as we gather there;
Beautiful hopes to us are given,
Forgetting the world and looking to heaven.
Humble our hearts as we lowly kneel,
Asking our Father to set His seal
Of love and forgiveness upon the past,
No more to stray while life shall last.

Beautiful altar: hand clasped in hand,
Joining the chain of Chapter band;
Sweet are the strains as voices blend
In song and praise to Him our Friend.
Saddened our thoughts as we ever know,
Links must be severed here below;
Over the river, one by one,
Vacant our places, life's labor done.

Beautiful altar within the star,
Instructive lessons radiate there;
Effulgence of wisdom, truth and love
Gilding the way to our home above.
Beautiful altar, His word thy crown;
Glorious promises handed down;
Book of books, a lamp to our feet,
Capstone of devotion, rich and complete.

Help of the sorrowing, strength to the weak,
Light of our pathway, counsel we seek;
Pride and rebellion all laid down,
Our central figure: altar and crown.
Beautiful altar, shrine of prayer,
Angelic whisperings hover there;
Visions celestial ope to our eyes;
Home of the weary, sweet Paradise.

